

# ***THE MESSENGER***

*Davison United Methodist Church*

*Rev. P.T. Wachterhauser*

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## *DUMC Fall Schedule 1*

### *Worship Hours*

*Beginning*

#### ***Sunday, September 7, 2008***

Traditional Worship	8:15 a.m.
Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Blended Worship	11:00 a.m.
with Jr. Church	

## *Sunday School Offerings*

### ***Kick-off Sunday***

***September 7, 2008***

***9:40 - 10:40 A.M.***

<b>Birth - 3 years</b>	Sunshine Nursery
Instructors: Faye Brown, Jennifer Jones	
<b>4 Years - Kindergarten</b>	Education Level 3
Instructors: Barb Coughlin, Anna Callis	
<b>1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade</b>	Education Level 2
Instructor: <b>NEEDED</b>	
<b>4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	Education Level 1
Instructor: Vern Leach	
<b>7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	Basement Level 2
Instructor: Pam Fyke	
<b>Season of Spirit</b>	Basement Level 3
Instructor: Scott Howes	
<b>Bible Study</b>	Basement Level 4
Instructor: Marie Frazee	

## *Dolce Bells*

The handbell choir at DUMC will meet again to begin a new year on September 3 in the sanctuary at 6:00 P.M.

We play an 'offering' during the worship services (8:15 and 11:00) as time allows, almost every month. Come join us!

## *Disciple I Fall Schedule*

Dear Covenant Members,

I hope that you have all had a restful and joyous summer. Mine has been very busy. That is my excuse for the lateness of this letter.

I finally have the dates for our next eight weeks of class. We will start on September 16 at 6 P.M. We will go for eight weeks, finishing on November 4, which is Election Day. If we need to adjust these dates we will do it at the first class.

As you know, we will be starting the New Testament. The first class is lesson 18. We will be reading Matthew all the way through for two weeks. Each week we will have a different focus on that gospel. This is targeted reading not trying to understand the entire gospel. It will be a good way to get back into the swing of things.

My prayers are with all of you as we resume our journey through the Bible.

Marianne



## *It's time for Betsy's Bazaar!*

*Saturday, October 4, 2008*

1Bazaar 2008 will be here before we know it.  
Time to start thinking BAZAAR.

The booths and chairpersons this year are:

Attic Treasures:

April 23 & 24, 2009.

Baked Goods:

Decide which favorite recipe you are making this year. Use aluminum pie plates and plastic containers to hold goodies.

Books:

Cookbooks, crafts, hobbies, and children's books sell well.

Cookie Walk:

Peanut Butter, molasses, and "fancies" sell best.

Christmas: Marty Cook

\$5-10 items sell best. Angels, Santas, ornaments and decorations are good sellers.

This n' That: Pam Knoodle

This booth will have lots of interesting items. You'll want to get your fall decorations here!

1Garden Gate: Bonnie Mathews

Live plants and dried flowers will be featured in the narthex. Bring in live plants now so they will adjust and look great by bazaar day. (Impatiens, geraniums and begonias do not sell well.)

Pantry: Marie Frazee

Jellies, jams, pickles, canned fruit, and vegetables. Make an extra batch for the bazaar when canning. Marie needs sugar!

Stitchery: Maxine Koch

Finish those projects. Knitting, sewing, crocheting - all hand made items are needed!

Collector's Corner:

Check out our new booth. Come reminisce over objects from your childhood. Antiques and collectibles for sale.

Other booths will be:

Paper Products: Margaret Diener

1Featuring Christmas and all occasion cards and napkins plus those great Rada knives.

Pecans: HandS

Kitchen Luncheon Menu includes sloppy joes, hot dogs, turkey salad and chili. Donation list will be out for September circle meetings.

Beth Hoover, chairperson of the Dining Room.

1We're looking forward to another successful bazaar. With the great help and cooperation of our church family, we know it will be SUPER. Sign-up sheets will be in the narthex on Sunday mornings as well as at September/October circle meetings. All church women are invited to sign up for donations and working in booths.

Most important: Bring yourself and a friend to Betsy's Bazaar on Saturday, October 4, 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Support UMW main mission project

Bazaar Committee

## *Now Accepting DVDs*

DUMC Library -  
not just for books anymore!

Our Church Library is now accepting donations of DVDs. They will be available for you to check out in the same manner that books are checked out. As with books, donations that cannot be used for whatever reason will be passed on to community book sales or other places that can make use of them.

If you would prefer that your DVDs be returned to you if the library cannot use them, please be sure to put a note to that effect with them when you leave them in the library. Happy Viewing!

## United Methodist Women

Each of you received a gift to use to serve others. (I Peter 4:10)

UMW Sunday provided an opportunity to educate and illustrate the gifts the women of our unit put into action. They hear God's voice calling them to help others, to serve, share their gifts and join a circle or create a new circle.

September 1<sup>st</sup> circles resume their monthly meetings.

Readers, Diane Penrose needs a list of books that you've read.

World Thank Offering is being collected.

September 10<sup>th</sup> is our morning trip to Grand Rapids to visit Clark Retirement Community, and afternoon luncheon cruise on the Grand lady Riverboat. Everyone is welcome. Information is posted on UMW Board.

September 18<sup>th</sup> is the Golden Age Luncheon - all church members, 70 and older, will soon receive their invitations. Sara Howes and committee have exciting plans underway.

September 25<sup>th</sup> is the evening unit meeting at 7 P.M. Slate of 2009 Officers and 2009 Budget will be presented and it is also *fun nite*. President Ellen Wagester and VP Patty Woodside are making plans.

October 4<sup>th</sup> is Betsy's Bazaar - rapidly approaching! Decide what areas you can work in. There are many opportunities to enjoy a day of fun and fellowship. Sign-up sheets out soon!

October 9<sup>th</sup> is the Annual Leadership Training at Goodrich UMC. (Oct. 6 deadline, UMW Board)

October 24-25 is the Annual Conference meeting at Ste. St. Marie. (Reservations must be in by September 24, UMW Board.)

Fall is an exciting and busy time for UMW! Join us. Remember the Yoga Class and check it out on Saturday mornings.

Any questions please contact Ellen Wagester 667-4666 evenings.

# ANNUAL GOLDEN AGE LUNCHEON

*~ A 50's Dinner ~*

*When is it?*  
**Thursday, September 18 ~ Noon**

*Where is it?*  
**Fellowship Hall**

*Who can come?*  
**Anyone 70 years or older**  
**(Non Golden Agers can purchase a ticket for \$3)**

Phone reservations to the church office (653-5272) or Sara Howes (240-0366) no later than Monday, September 15.

## *Newsletter Elves Needed*

As you can see, it's that time again! Time to begin regular grinding out of *The Messenger* each month and we can always use help when it comes time to prepare it for mailing.

We usually gather at about 9:30 A.M. on the appointed day and generally have a pleasant, fun-filled time putting it together. (The more hands helping, the less time it takes.)

If you'd be willing to help out, please, put your name and phone number on a slip of paper and drop in the mailbox on the office door.

**~ ~ Words of Thanks ~ ~**

Dear Church Members,

In light of the slowing economy, it is the continued support and helping hands that allow us to continue to do the good works in the community like supporting the Love Food Pantry. We would like to take this opportunity to say "Thank You" to the many friends, workers and supporters from the Davison United Methodist Church. You were instrumental in the success of the Golf for Love outing over the past eleven years. With your help and support we have contributed over \$50,000 to help the Love Food Pantry meet the needs of local citizens. Once again, thank you for your help and support. We look forward to 2009's outing and your continued support.

The Brothers of Vernor Lodge #400  
Independent Order of Oddfellows

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Matthew 5:4 says, "*Blessed are those that mourn, for they shall be comforted.*"

I am so blessed by my church family and the comfort you've given to all of us in these days following Stan's death.

Thank you for the cards, the calls and visits, the food, the funeral dinner, the prayer shawl, the prayers and joining us for the walk/run. I have been cushioned in a net of love. Thank you.

Susan, Shane, Maria and Emily

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To: Pastor Susan, The Davison United Methodist Youth Group, and those who continue to support our program, May God Bless You All.

It is such a blessing to serve our children in our "Lord's" Blessings, because of our brothers and sisters that have allowed us to continue. Your giving hearts have allowed us to begin a second summer session and your lifting gives us the strength to carry on the Lord's work. We can't thank you enough. God be with you in your work also.

Yours in Christ,  
Rick Trevorow, AFDC Treasurer

Dear Church Family,

Vacation Bible School is over, and it was a huge success.

We opened our doors and hosted over 75 children. We were so blessed each evening as we saw numbers above 55 kids. Because of your prayers and support this was possible, and I thank you. We were able to reach out to the community and surf through the Be-Attitudes.

I am also proud to say because of those children and their support we were able to raise over \$160 for the Nothing but Nets program. Each one of these children is such a blessing from God, and I thank each of them for their efforts, for their voices, and for their skills at crafts and games.

I also again want to thank my church family and friends for their encouragement during VBS.

Surf's up!

Sara Howes

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**AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY  
RELAY FOR LIFE**

Our church team has had additional contributions since the relay in June. Instead of a bronze team, we have now attained

the silver team level for donations over \$3,000.

The grand total for the three years of our participation is \$9,117.08!!

Thank you to all team members and supporters!

Beth Wachterhauser,  
United Methodists for a Cure

## *School Bell's Ringing!*

Time for school again and time for back-to-school health and safety tips.

### Backpack Safety

When choosing the right backpack look for the following:

**Wide padded shoulder straps** - narrow straps can dig into shoulders. This can cause pain and restrict circulation. A padded back protects against sharp edges on objects inside the pack and increases comfort.

**Pack light to prevent injury** when using a backpack. The backpack should never weigh more than 10-20% of the student's body weight.

**Always use BOTH shoulder straps.** Slinging a backpack over one shoulder can strain muscles. Wearing a backpack on one shoulder may increase curvature of the spine.

**Use a rolling backpack.** This type of backpack may be a good choice for students who must tote a heavy load. Remember that rolling backpacks still must be carried upstairs, and, they will be difficult in the snow.

### School Bus Safety

**Wait for the bus to stop** before approaching it from the curb.

**Do not move around** on the bus.

**Check before crossing** to get on the bus to see that no other traffic is coming.

Make sure to **always remain in clear view** of the bus driver.

### Eating During the School Day

**Most schools regularly send schedules of cafeteria menus home.** With this advance information, you can plan on packing lunch on the days when the main course is one your child prefers not to eat.

Try to get your child's school to stock **healthy choices in the vending machines.**

**Vending machine choices can be modified** to eliminate high-fat and empty-calorie munchies and provide healthy snacks that include more fresh fruit and low-fat dairy products, as well as water and 100% fruit juices instead of sodas.

**Restrict your child's soft drink consumption.** Each 12 oz. soft drink contains approximately 10 teaspoons of sugar and 150 calories. Drinking just one can of soda a day increases a child's risk of obesity by 60%.

### Develop Good Homework & Study Habits

**Create an environment that is conducive to doing homework.** Youngsters need a permanent workspace in their bedroom or another part of the house that offers privacy.

**Set aside ample time for homework.**

**Establish a household rule that TV stays off during homework time.**

**Be available to answer questions and offer assurance, but never do a child's homework for him/her.**

**To help alleviate eye fatigue, neck fatigue, and brain fatigue** while studying, it is recommended that youngsters close the book 10 minutes every hour and go do something else.

**If your child is struggling** with a particular subject, and you aren't able to help him/her yourself, a tutor can be a good solution. Talk it over with your child's teacher first.

Following these suggestions can make the new school year happier and healthier for your child.

Our next **Health Happening** will be Sunday, **September 21<sup>st</sup>** with **blood pressure screening** in the Conference room.

Watch for special presentations in the near future.

Margaret E. Diener RN, Parish Nurse

**Attention**  
**Sunday School Participants**

Welcome to the 2008-2009 Sunday School Year! We here at Davison United Methodist church are very excited to greet you and show you our amazing Sunday School offerings.

Sunday School officially starts the Sunday after Labor Day, September 7, 2008. We will be continuing with the same start time and location as last year; we will meet in Havens Chapel at 9:40 A.M. Sunday School teachers will then take their children to their appropriate classes from 9:45-10:40 A.M.

There will be many changes yet a lot of similarities in the Sunday School program this year.

We are excited to continue the curriculum with our children Birth-3 years. This year they will be starting an all new curriculum, "*Seasons of Growth*", under the direction of our exceptional Nursery staff, Faye Brown and Jennifer Jones.

Barb Coughlin will be continuing her wonderful work with the children ages 4 Years-Kindergarten. This year she'll be joined by co-teacher, Anna Callis. Barb and Anna will be using the Cokesbury curriculum "*Live Big*".

The students in the 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> grade Class are still looking for a teacher. This class is seeing a large growth and, again, we are very excited to continue with the "*Live Big*" program.

Vern Leach is returning to continue his remarkable work with the 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders. This year they will be working with "*Rock Solid*" curriculum, and keeping focused on all their astounding projects.

Last, but not least, is the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade Class. Pam Fyke is excited to return this year, and excited to announce her new curriculum, "*Claim the Life*".

We also have two adult Sunday School Offerings. Marie Frazee will continue to teach adult Bible Study Class and, new this year, "*Seasons of the Spirit*", led by Scott Howes. Please drop in and see what's new. Both of these classes are warm, inviting, and spiritually led. As with all of our Sunday School classes, you don't need any advance knowledge, just a desire to be there.

Finally, we will be using the Sunday School hour on the second Sunday of each month to create what we are calling "Music Sundays". This will be our kids choir program, under the direction of Karla Perrault. They will explore scripture and children's praise music using a variety of methods. On the third Sunday of each month the children will have the opportunity to showcase what they have learned.

Again, we are very excited to introduce our Sunday School programs to you. We are looking forward to the year and, most importantly, we are looking forward to growing with you spiritually. Please review the dates below and join us for as many events as you can.

Thank you and God Bless.  
Sara Howes, CE Coordinator

Sunday, September 7, 2008 - 9:40 A.M.  
*Sunday School Starts*

Sunday, September 21, 2008  
*Christian Education Sunday*

Saturday, October 25, 2008 - 6:00 P.M.  
*Fall Fest*

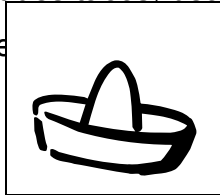
Sunday, December 7, 2008  
*Christmas Performance*

**Davison  
United Methodist Church  
Invites you to its  
Fall Kick-Off**

# Taco Dinner

Meal includes tacos, beans, chips,

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Sunday, September 7, 2008  
12 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall

### ***From Our Librarian***

Please check your bookshelves and bedside tables to see if you have any of the overdue or missing Church Library books that are listed below.

#### *Those that have been checked out for extended length of time:*

101 Ways to Be a Great Mom - by Kuyper  
90 Minutes in Heaven - by Piper  
2004 Book of Discipline, UMC  
Caught in the Crossfire - by Geis  
The Christian Family - by Christenson  
Dear John - by Sparks  
A Handful of Heaven - by Hart  
The House Where the Hardest Things  
Happened - by Caley  
It's Not About Me - by Lucado  
Longing to Pray - by Kalas  
Where to Find It in the Bible - by Anderson

#### *Those that are missing - not signed out:*

1776 - by McCullough  
Benjamin Lloyd's Hymn Book - by Cauthen  
Chicken Soup for the Mother's Soul  
Concerning Prayer - By Pearce  
Grand Loving - by Johnson  
Habitation of Dragons - by Miller  
In Harm's Way - by Stanton  
Intrigue in Santo Domingo by Hefley  
Joy for a Woman's Soul  
Joy I'd Never Known, A - by Dravecky  
Knowing the Whole Truth - by Kennedy  
Letters to an American Lady - by Lewis  
Life's Wondrous Ways - by McElroy  
Love, Medicine and Miracles - by Siegel  
Loving Thoughts - by Rice  
Messiah, Prophecies Fulfilled - by Kennedy  
Messies Manual, The - by Felton  
Minding God's Business - by Demaret  
My Mother, Myself - by Friday  
On Death and Dying - by Kubler-Ross  
Passion of Love, The - by White  
Power for Christian Living - by Wilcox  
Raising Ourselves - by Wallis  
The Third World Church - by Wakatama  
The Tipping Point - by Gladwell  
To Help You through the Hurting - by Holmes  
The Twain Shall Meet - by Haines  
Twenty-Third Psalm for Today - by Carley  
United Methodist Doctrine - by Chilcote  
Wandering through Winter - by Teale  
What a Way to Go - by Laurent  
Where to Find It in the Bible - by Anderson  
Who Jesus Is - by Hill  
Who Speaks for God - by Colson  
Working Women, Workable Lives - Linamen  
You Can Trust the Communists - by Schwarz  
You Can Witness with Confidence - by Rinker

*Thank you for checking! - and returning!*



# September Birthdays

September 1

*Burton Breece  
Doris Farlin  
Alison Lechner  
Anne McAvinchey*

September 2

*Joyce Ballentine  
Justin Desjarlais  
Aimee Penrose  
Ivan Coleman*

September 3

*Elmer LeVan*

September 4

*Richard Nelson*

September 5

*Nicholas Baker*

September 6

*Pastor Susan Youmans*

September 7

*James LeVan*

September 8

*John Jelinek*

September 9

*Kory Dipzinski*

September 10

*Faye Brown  
Roger Jirikovic*

September 13

*Janice Borradaile  
Marla Eckel  
Larry Wheeler*

September 14

*Donna Hart*

September 15

*Jennie Marien*

September 17

*Earl Hagstrom*

September 18

*Sheryl Ananich*

September 20

*Jordan Bridgett*

September 21

*Iris Karickhoff  
Derek Powell*

September 22

*Abigail Howes  
Kay Shepherd  
Nancy Yount*

September 23

*Genevieve Barhitte  
Jennifer Bellot  
Jessica Callis  
Dorothy Highson  
Emily Meyer*

September 24

*Larry Morrisett  
Jonathan Stavros*

September 25

*Riley Ananich*

September 26

*Ruth Avitts*

September 28

*Sue McCann  
Evelyn Olney  
George Ananich*

September 30

*Margaret Diener  
Donna Jelinek*

## *Hello to the Youth from Pastor Peggy*

I am excited to be your new Youth Pastor! I have really enjoyed working with youth and college students in my other ministry positions, and love to help plan events, retreats, and mission trips. And I look forward to meeting you! (Just so you know, my last name is really long -- Garrigues-Cortelyou. The first part rhymes with "asparagus", and the second part is like three separate words "core-TELL-you." But if that gets too complicated, its much easier to just call me Pastor Peggy.)

**We'll have our first United Methodist Youth gathering on Sunday September 7, at 6 pm at the church.** We'll have snacks, play some games, get to know each other, and share some ideas for fall activities.

Maggie will be working with me as we have fun together, do activities to show God's love, and learn about secret missions God has in mind for each one of us. We'll be on an adventure together throughout this year as agents with special projects for "Mission Improbable."

I live in Otisville, work half time doing campus ministry with college students in Ann Arbor, and will be working about half time here. My husband is a minister, too, at Otisville United Methodist Church. We have two sons, Jeremiah who is a junior at Lakeville, and Isaac who is just starting eighth grade.

I look forward to seeing you on September 7!  
I'll also be in church at both services on that Sunday morning.  
Pastor Peggy

# 1 SEPTEMBER 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Labor Day  <b>Office Closed</b>	2 1 Ruth  5:30 Weight Watchers 6 Praise Tm 7 Lydia	3 10 Prayer Shawl  6 UM Men 6 Bells	4  9:30 Naomi  6:30 G Scouts 7 Finance	5	6
17 <sup>th</sup> Pentecost 7 <b>BEGIN FALL HOURS</b> Spkr. Paul Webster 8:15 Traditional 9:45 Sunday School 11 Blended w/Jr. Church 12 <i>Taco Dinner Benefit Myers Lake</i> 6 <b>UM Youth</b>	8  7 SPRC 7 B Scouts	9 9:30 Priscilla  5:30 Weight Watchers 6 Praise Tm	10 UMW trip to G. Rapids 10 Prayer Shawl  6 Dolce Bells 7 Choir 7:30 Mission WA	11  9:30 Staff  6:15 Worship WA 7:30 Council	12	13
18 <sup>th</sup> Pentecost 14 8:15 Traditional 9:45 Sunday School 11 Blended w/Jr. Church 12:00-HandS 6 <b>UM Youth</b>	15 <i>MESSENGER</i> Deadline  7 B Scouts	16  5:30 Weight Watchers 6 Disciple I 6 Praise Tm	17 10 Prayer Shawl  6 Dolce Bells 7 Choir	18  12 <b>GOLDEN AGE LUNCHEON</b>	19	20 8:30 -11:30 <b>GSLT</b>  9 Yoga class  9-10 Men's Coffee with 'RT'
19 <sup>th</sup> Pentecost 21 CE Sunday 8:15 Traditional 9:45 Sunday School Health Happening 11 Blended w/Jr. Church 6 <b>UM Youth</b>	22  6:30 Trustees 7 Church Gr'th 7 B Scouts	23  5:30 Weight Watchers 6 Disciple I 6 Praise Tm	24 10 Prayer Shawl  6 Dolce Bells 7 Choir	25  9:30 Staff  7 <b>UMW Unit Fun Nite</b>	26  9:30 FH <i>Messenger</i> mailing Help needed (Call office or just show up)	27
20 <sup>th</sup> Pentecost 28 Bucket Brigade 8:15 Traditional 9:45 Sunday School 11 Blended w/Jr. Church 6 <b>UM Youth</b>	29  7 B Scouts	30  5:30 Weight Watchers 6 Disciple I 6 Praise Tm				8/27/08 updated

**DUMC Church Conference  
2008**

**Tuesday, October 28<sup>th</sup>**

SPRC will meet at 6:30 P.M.  
Conference will take place at 7:15 P.M.

While only church Members have both  
voice and vote, all of the church family  
is invited and have voice.

Committees and other report/data  
contributing persons should begin  
collecting information and preparing  
reports as soon as possible.

**Flint District Annual  
Conference**

Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 P.M.  
Hosted by: Swartz Creek UMC

Bishop Jonathan D. Keaton, speaking

Celebration of the retirement of  
Elaine Condon, District Office Secretary.

Well wishes, cards, letters and gifts

Welcome Back Celebration  
for Bishop Jonathan D. Keaton  
(four more years!)

Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 3:30-5:30 P.M.

Trinity UMC, 7533 W. St. Joe Hwy.,  
Livonia, MI 48150

**Tuesday  
Morning  
Bible Study Begins**

The Tuesday morning Bible study group  
will have their first meeting of the  
autumn season on Tuesday, September  
9<sup>th</sup> at 10 A.M. in the Parlor.

We will share our summer adventures,  
renew friendship and decide upon topics  
for study and discussion at this first  
meeting.

If you've not been a part of this group  
before - fall 2008 might be your time.

**Hearts Strangely  
Warmed**

November 8<sup>th</sup>, 9:15 AM – 4:45 PM

Swartz Creek UMC

Worship & Evangelism Workshop

A Wonderful Opportunity  
Training and Inspiration for  
both Clergy and Laity.

Registration: \$15

Sponsored by the Detroit Conference  
Board of Discipleship